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EASLEY APPOINTS MEMBERS TO STATE LIBRARY COMMISSION

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley appointed six members to the North Carolina State Library Commission.

Easley appointed **George Miles** of Boone, a retired chemistry professor at Appalachian State University; **Jean Lambeth Hart** of Brevard, retired from the public relations department at R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. and Montreat-Anderson College; **Susan Patterson Morris Thompson** of Warrenton, assistant district attorney for the ninth judicial district of North Carolina; and **Mary Hatcher** of Wilmington, former instructor for Wise Life Program at New Hanover Regional Medical Center and S.H.I.P.P. volunteer.

Easley reappointed **G. Templeton Blackburn II** of Henderson, an attorney at Rose's Department Stores, to the board. He appointed **Emily S. Boyce** of Asheville, retired professor from East Carolina University Department of Information to serve as chairman.

The North Carolina State Library Commission advises the secretary of cultural resources on library matters. The commission is responsible for evaluating and approving plans for public library development and multitype library cooperation and plans for federally funded library programs. The commission has eight members appointed by the Governor, one member appointed by the lieutenant governor, one member appointed by the speaker of the house and three appointed by the public library director. The members serve four-year terms.